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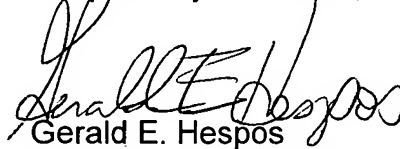
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This Information Disclosure Statement includes a copy of Form PTO-1449 that identifies one prior Japanese reference and three U.S. references. A copy of the Japanese reference is attached. The relevancy of the Japanese reference is described in paragraphs 0002 and 0003 of the subject application. The U.S. patents generally relate to over-molding employed in an entirely different art area.

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## U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS

*EXAMINER INITIAL	REF	DOCUMENT NUMBER	DATE	NAME	CLASS	SUBCLASS	FILING DATE IF APPROPRIATE
		6,292,973	9-2001	Moskovich et al.			
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## FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS

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		2002-75543	2002	Japan				✓

## OTHER DOCUMENTS (Including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, Etc.)


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